Death of prisoners in Tihar Jail due to drug addiction

♦356. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be please to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that there have been some deaths of prisoners in Tihar Jail recently due to drug addiction and smack and free availability of heroine in the jail owing to close nexus between the drug peddlars and the jail Officials;

(b) whether Government have conducted any inquiry into the circumstances leading to the death of prisoners and in the matter of peddling of drugs in the jail; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof, stating the action taken by Government in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S.B. CHAVAN) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Does not arise in view of reply at (a) above.

Freedam fighters, pension to self-exiled persons

♦358. SHRI V. NARAYANA-SWAMY : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to

(a) whether Government have any proposal to grant freedom fighters pensionary benefits to those freedom fighters who were in self-exile and were running parallel government against the British and the French;

(b) if so, by when it is proposed to be implemented; and

(c) if the answer to part (a) above be in the negative, what are the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S.B. CHAVAN) : (a) No, Sir. The question of grant of Samman pension from 1-8-80 under Swatantrata Sainik Samman Pension Scheme to such freedom fighters who suffered self-exile in respect of the liberation of Pondicherry from French rule was considered by the Government in September, 1984 on the recommendation of the Non-Official Advisory Committee but it could not be possible for the Government to accept the Committee's recommendation. It was decided that these categories of freedom fighters may be left to be covered under the State Freedom Fighter Pension Schemes.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Under the existing provisions of the Swatantrata Sainik Samman Pension Scheme, a person who remained underground for the qualifying period is considered eligible for Samman Pension, provided he was:—

(1) a proclaimed offende, or

(2) one of whom an award for arrest/head was announced; or;

(3) one for whose detention order was issued but not served.

As such persons who suffered self-exile had not remained underground against arrest warrants it could not be possible for the Government to consider them for pension under Swatantrata Sainik Samman Pension Scheme.

Operation of a Taiwanese representative in India

♦359. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN: Wih the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) what are the circumstances under which a Taiwanese representative could continue his operations in the country for a long time in the absence of diplomatic relations with that country;

(b) whether there had been any security lapses in this regard;

(c) whether any action has been initiated against the persons responsible for it;

(d) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(e) if not, what are the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K.R. NARAYANAN) : (a) to (e) There has been and Aere is no Taiwanese representative in India. An Indian national Shri Rama Swarup Sabharwal, who has been referred to in the Press as a so-called Taiwanese respresenta-tive was arrested in connection with a case in FIR No. 216/85 under Sections 3/6 of the Official Secrets Act registered in PS Tughlak Road on September 28, 1985. The case is presently under investigations.

झांसी स्थित किले का भारतीय पुरातत्व सर्वेक्षण को सौंपा जाना

*360. **डा० गोविन्द दास रिछारिया:** क्या **प्रधान मंत्री** 27 मार्च, 1985 को राज्य सभा में अतारांकित प्रश्न 1135 के दिये गये उत्तर को देखेंग और यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या अधिकारियों के दल ने झांसी स्थित रानी लक्ष्मीबाई किले को भारतीय पुरातत्व सर्वेक्षण को सौंपने के सम्बन्ध में शर्तें तैयार कर ली हैं ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस किले को सौंपने में विलम्ब के क्या कारण हैं ; और

(ग) इस किल को भारतीय पुरा- सौंपने में विलम्ब के क्या कारण हैं ; सभावना है ?

रक्षा अनुसंधान और विकास विभाग में राज्य मंत्री (श्री अरुण सिंह) : (क) जी हां, ।

(ख) और (ग) झांसी स्थित किले और इससे संबंधित भूमि भारतीय पुरातत्व सर्वेक्षण और उत्तर प्रदेश सरकार को तभी सौंपी जायगी, जब उत्तर प्रदेश सरकार इसके बदले में रक्षा अधिकारियों को भूमि हस्तांतरित करेगी । इस संबंध में एक प्रस्ताव उत्तर प्रदेश सरकार को उनकी स्वीकृति के लिये भेज दिया गया है । उत्तर प्रदेश सरकार से उत्तर प्राप्त होने पर ही इस संबंध में आगे की कार्यवाही संभव होगी ?

Delay in declaration of result of Clerks' Grade Examination

2463. SHRI SYED AHMAD HASHMI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the result of the Clerks' Grade Examination conducted 1 by the Staff Selection Commission 1 in July, 1985 has not yet been declared; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons for the delay in this regard and by when the result is liktly to be dec lared ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS AND PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSION (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM) : (a) The result of the written part of the Clerks' Grade Examination held by Staff Selection Commission in July, 1985 has not yet been declared.

(b) The Commisssion declares the result of the written part of the examination after taking into consideration the number of vacancies required to be filled. Due to the ban on filling up of vacancies by direct recruitment, the Commission can recommend candidates only against those vacancies which are • specifically exempted from ban orders. Accordingly all the user Departments have been requested to intimate the